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Dear Sir:

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION, PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF
TIME AND AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE
ACTION DATED JUNE 21, 2005**

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated June 21, 2005 in the above
application. Further examination of the application is respectfully requested after entry of the
amendments proposed herein. Applicant respectfully requests amendment of the patent
application and reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant hereby makes petition for extension of time of three months for a response to
the Office Action dated June 21, 2005 in the above-referenced application. A shortened statutory

period of three months was set. In connection with this petition, please apply payment in the amount of \$1,020.00 of the check enclosed herewith pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3). If any additional fee is deemed payable (or overpayment creditable) in respect of this communication, please charge or credit such a fee to Deposit Account No. 13-0019.

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (37 C.F.R. § 1.114)

Please withdraw finality of rejection and continue examination of the above-referenced Application, as amended hereinbelow, under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.114. In connection with this request, please apply \$790 (as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)) from the enclosed check to pay the applicable fee. If any additional fee is deemed payable (or overpayment creditable) in respect of this communication, please charge or credit such a fee to Deposit Account No. 13-0019.

AMENDMENT

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6.